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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Training

VIA: Deputy Director for Operations

SUBJECT: Request for Operations Tradecraft Briefings

1. Based on certain limited exposure to previous CIA briefings on clandestine operations and tradecraft, we have received a request from the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) for several days briefings in the basic techniques of clandestine tradecraft. There would be about a total of ten senior DEA officials attending, all of whom have appropriate clearances and are involved with DEA's overseas activities.

2. The reason why I feel it is worthwhile to make this effort is to familiarize selected senior DEA officials with the basic principles of clandestine tradecraft so that they will have a better appreciation of our concern for protecting our sources and methods in CIA operations. It also might help to improve the conduct of their own overseas activities, although I am not sanguine about having much impact upon DEA's use of intelligence in their enforcement operations.

3. It is requested that the familiarization briefings include appropriate coverage of the following subjects:

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4. We would like to arrange for these briefings to take place in OTR classrooms in the Chamber of Commerce Building some time in late February 1974. This office will act as the contact point with DEA and OTR, and would like ample opportunity to discuss the specifics of the briefings prior to the presentations.

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Deputy Director for Operations

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The emphasis here is on briefing not training. These are
senior officers and the effort is to familiarize them
with the problems of operating abroad.

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